

TOURS

Water Division
1910 East University Avenue
Telephone: (559) 621-5300

Tour description: This tour starts at the Water Division followed by a field tour via mini-van. The tour ends back at the Water Yard with a PowerPoint presentation. You will learn why water is power and how valuable this resource really is.

Tour offered: second Tuesday of each month, call to schedule your tour date
Time offered: 8:00 am
Length of tour: 4 hours
Group size: up to 5 people
Comments: non-slip, closed-toe shoes required
As a separate tour, you may also ask to tour our Surface Water Treatment Plant. This is a 45-minute tour offered by appointment; any group size welcomed.

Solid Waste Management Division
1325 El Dorado Street
Telephone: (559) 621-1811

Tour description: Tour begins with a PowerPoint presentation on the operations of the Division, followed by a tour of several facilities in the field by mini-van. The first stop is the Transfer Station to see how incoming garbage from trucks is reloaded into larger transfer hauling vehicles, while also sorting for recyclable material. The next stop is the Sunset Recycling Center where you will learn how recyclable material is sorted and prepared for marketing. The last stop is West Coast Waste, one of our green waste facilities, to learn how grass and tree trimmings are converted to compost.

Tour offered: quarterly, call to schedule your tour date
Time offered: 9:00 am
Length of tour: 2 1/2 hours
Group size: up to 15 people
Comments: non-slip, closed-toe shoes required

Wastewater Management Division
Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility
5607 West Jensen Avenue
Telephone: (559) 621-5100

Tour description: Tour the 3,300-acre facility and see our high-tech processes to treat wastewater so it can be returned safely to the environment for reclamation and reuse.

Tour offered: first Wednesday of each month, call to schedule your tour date
Time offered: 10:00 am
Length of tour: approximately 1 ½ hours
Group size: any size
Comments: non-slip, closed-toe shoes required

Wastewater Management Division
Collection System
2101 G Street, Building C
Telephone: (559) 621-1496

Tour description: The tour begins with a presentation on the history of sewer systems dating back to the Roman Empire, followed by a tour into the field to observe a sewer lift station and staff cleaning a sewer line.

Tour offered: quarterly, call to schedule your tour date
Time offered: 9:00 am
Length of tour: approximately 3 hours
Group size: up to 20 people
Comments: non-slip, closed-toe shoes required